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## **Corps of Engineers to hear from public at St. Johns Bayou and New Madrid Floodway project meeting**

MEMPHIS, TENN., (November 16, 2001) – Individuals interested in expressing views or asking questions about the St. Johns Bayou and New Madrid Floodway, Missouri, Project Supplemental Environmental Impact Statement (SEIS) are invited to a public meeting Nov. 26, 2001 at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Church of God Family Life Center, 322 North Washington Ave. (Business 80) in East Prairie, Mo.

Corps officials will present information regarding the project's background and the alternatives evaluated at the meeting. The public will be invited to make formal oral statements and/or provide written statements expressing their views after the presentation. Corps representatives will be available afterward to answer questions in an informal setting.

The proposed project is located in the lower St. Johns Bayou Basin and New Madrid Floodway near the cities of East Prairie and New Madrid, in the bootheel of Missouri. It would provide improvements to eliminate the physical and economic barriers created by frequent flooding and sustain and improve the environment in the project area.

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## MEETING/2-2-2

The draft SEIS is currently under review by various federal, state and local agencies, other interested organizations and the public. Copies are on deposit and available for viewing at the following libraries:

Mississippi County Library Main Library 105 East Marshall St. Charleston, Mo.	Mississippi County Library Mitchell Memorial Library 204 Washington East Prairie, Mo.	Sikeston Public Library 121 East North Street Sikeston, Mo.
New Madrid Co. Library New Madrid Mem. Library 431 Mill New Madrid, Mo	Riverside Regional Library Benton Branch Benton, Mo.	Missouri State Library 600 West Main St. Jefferson City, Mo.

The Corps of Engineers will continue to receive statements through Dec. 17, 2001, the end of the official comment period. Written statements may be submitted at the meeting or mailed to the following address:

District Engineer  
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Memphis District  
ATTN: Environmental Branch (CEMVM-PM-E)  
167 North Main St., Room B-202  
Memphis, TN 38103-1894

More information on the project is also available online at

<http://www.mvm.usace.army.mil/StJohns/default.asp>